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INFLAMMATION-RELATED DISORDERS

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Date: December 20, 2002

AMENDMENT B

The official letter (NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR
PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR
AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES) dated August 26, 2002 has been received,
and in response thereto the following Amendment B is submitted. In addition, a
substitute computer readable form diskette is enclosed, as required by the above notice.
Finally, and extension of time to respond for two months, up to and including December
26, 2002 is requested.

REMARKS

In response to the NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES, applicants subjoin a sequence listing to the instant application.

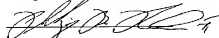
A computer readable sequence listing on 3.5 inch floppy diskette is enclosed as well. The sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing, and the sequence listing originally filed. 37 CFR § 1.821(f); 37 CFR § 1.825(d). This 3.5 inch floppy diskette is transmitted as a duplicate of the diskette sent previously, but had become damaged and/or unreadable.

A paper copy of the sequence listing is attached, and is identical in content to the 3.5 inch diskette transmitted herewith.

No new matter has been introduced. 37 CFR § 1.821(g).

If the Examiner believes a telephonic interview with Applicant's representative would aid in the prosecution of this application, he is cordially invited to contact Applicant's representative at the below listed number.

Respectfully submitted,



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